

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

5 An aqueous developer solution for use in digital film processing. The developer solution includes a developing agent and at least one surfactant or thickener. A method of processing a photographic film is also provided, and includes the steps of coating an aqueous developer solution containing at least one surfactant or thickener onto the film, thereby developing the film, and scanning the film through the coating of developer solution.

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